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SUBJECT: PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR GIEREK VISIT

1. PAO HELD SEVERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH MFA AND POLISH TV OFFICIALS REGARDING PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE GIEREK VISIT. FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE COVERED:

A. AIR TRANSPORTATION. MFA'S MAJOR CONCERN, AS EXPRESSED BY KONOPACKI, WAS INTER-CITY TRANSPORTATION FOR THAT PART OF POLISH PRESS CORPS UNABLE TO TRAVEL WITH THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION PLANE. PAO REPEATED THE WASHINGTON SUGGESTION THAT THE POLES SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM PRIVATE U.S. SOURCES, AS DID ROMANIANS AND YUGOSLAVS FOR THEIR STATE VISITS. KONOPACKI SAID POLES WERE TOO PROUD TO REQUEST SUCH ASSISTANCE. HOWEVER, AT ANOTHER MEETING PAWLISZEWSKI INDICATED SUCH ASSISTANCE MIGHT BE CONSIDERED IF THE OFFER CAME FROM THE AMERICAN SOURCE WITHOUT POLISH SOLICITATION. DID DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT PREVIOUSLY MAKE UNSOLICITED OFFERS? ADVISE ASAP.

B. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION. KONOPACKI BELIEVES AT LEAST THREE MINI-BUSSES WOULD BE NEEDED FOR THE POLISH PRESS AT EACH POINT OF THE ITINERARY. HOWEVER, POLISH TV REQUIREMENTS DO NOT SEEM TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT BY THIS NUMBER. MATTER SHOULD BE CLARIFIED ASAP WITH KOZLOWICZ AND THE POLISH TV ADVANCE TEAM NOW IN WASHINGTON.

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C. KORDEDK SEPTEMBER 9 MEMO STATES POLISH FILM CREWS PLAN

TO USE BOTH COLOR AND B/W. KONOPACKI CLAIMS ALL FILMING BY POLISH TV AND BY KRONIKA FILMOVA WILL BE IN COLOR. ONLY B/W COVERAGE WILL BE STILL PHOTOGRAPHY. DOUBLE-CHECK WITH KOZLOWICZ.

D. PRESS KITS. AGENCY FCC SHOULD FORWARD WHATEVER MATERIAL IS READY FOR DELIVERY TO POLES BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE. SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS CAN BE PROVIDED AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON.

E. POLISH-PROVIDED BACKGROUND MATERIALS. MFA AND POLISH TV REQUESTED USG ASSISTANCE IN CONTACTING U.S. MEDIA OUTLETS TO FACILITATE PLACEMENT OF POLISH-PROVIDED MATERIALS. POLES ARE PREPARING 10-MINUTE TV CLIP ON THE "PRIVATE LIFE OF EDWARD GIEREK", CURRENTLY LEANING TOWARD NBC-TV AS EXCLUSIVE OUTLET FOR THIS CLIP. MATTER MOST LIKELY WILL BE RAISED IN WASHINGTON BY MICHAL GARDOWSKI, VICE-CHAIRMAN, STATE COMMITTEE FOR RADIO AND TV. GARDOWSKI IS NUMBER TWO MAN AT POLISH TV AND, MFA POINTS OUT, HAS VICE-MINISTERIAL RANK.

F. AMERICAN FILMS. POLISH TV CONTINUES TO CALL EMBASSY DAILY FOR ADDITIONAL FILM FOOTAGE ON ALL ASPECTS OF U.S. LIFE. ITEMS MOST URGENTLY NEEDED ARE SHORT CLIPS TO BE USED AS FILLERS DURING INTENSIVE COVERAGE PLANNED FOR ACTUAL DAYS OF GIEREK VISIT. CAN AGENCY SUPPLY 20 TO 30 THREE-OR FOUR-MINUTE CULTURAL AND TOURISTIC CLIPS? WE ALSO ARE REVIEWING WITH POLISH TV OUR OWN HOLDINGS OF FILMS FEATURING U.S. SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL PROGRESS. WE WILL NOTIFY YOU BY COB SEPT 24 IF ADDITIONAL FILMS ARE NEEDED. IN MEANTIME, WE WOULD WELCOME IMV SUGGESTIONS RE NEW FILMS OF WHICH WE MAY BE UNAWARE.

G. WILLIAMSBURG COVERAGE. POLISH SIDE EXPECTING MORE THAN ROUTINE COVERAGE OF WILLIAMSBURG PORTION OF VISIT. KONOPACKI SAYS POLES HOPE TO HAVE POLISH TV COVER GIEREK ARRIVAL IN WILLIAMSBURG AND IS TRYING TO INTEREST U.S. MEDIA IN GIEREK VISIT TO JAMESTOWN. SO FAR, THERE IS NO AMERICAN MEDIA INTEREST EXCEPT UPI WHICH, HE SAYS, WILL INTERVIEW GIEREK IN WILLIAMSBURG.

2. POLISH RADIO/TV ADVANCE TEAM OF VICE-CHAIRMAN GARDOWSKI, BARTOSZ JANISZEWSKI, STANISLAW CZESMIN, AND KAZIMIERZ KRAJEWSKI PLAN TO CONTACT AGENCY MONDAY AFTERNOON, SEPT 23, TO DISCUSS CONCRETE TECHNICAL DETAILS, PARTICULARLY ELECTRONIC FEEDS FOR SATELLITE COVERAGES OUTSIDE WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK. ALSO ARRIVING EARLY ARE INTERPRESS OFFICIALS KAZIMIERZ BILANOW AND KRZYSZTOF KOMORNICKI, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR LIAISON BETWEEN POLISH EMBASSY AND THE POLISH PRESS CORPS. THE ADVANCE PRESS GROUP LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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